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To: House Representative David Roundstone (HD 41)  
Fr: William L. Wertman, Vice-President  
Re: Stimulus Action  
Dt: March 13, 2009

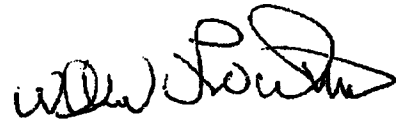
Per your discussions with Zane Spang, Dean of Student Affairs, I am providing the following CDKC facilities requests for Stimulus funding consideration. The cost figures were derived following discussions with CTA Architects/Engineers, are consistent with recent construction projects in our area, and do not include furnishings, computers, etc.

The proposed facilities would be adjoining and would be located on the east boundary of the College campus.

- A. Two-story classroom office complex to house expanded classroom space, laboratory space, and critically needed faculty office space. The lack of adequate classroom, meeting, and office space is one of the primary challenges facing CDKC. Finding available classrooms and meeting areas is an ongoing challenge for the College. Several faculty members currently are forced to share office space and records indicate an average of 420 hours of instructional use per academic year in a facility designed for 270 hours. These facility restrictions decrease productivity and hinder the College's educational planning and delivery of quality programs and services. The proposed 20,000 sq.ft. classroom/office facility is projected to cost \$6,000,000.
- B. Two-story circular shaped library to replace the current library that was initially constructed to house the commodity distribution center for the Northern Cheyenne tribe. Students in the College's carpentry program renovated the facility and it currently serves as both the College and community library. Circulation within the library has increased three-fold over the past three years and the library is serving an average of 240 patrons daily, including college students. Two shortcomings with the currently facility have been identified in recent Northwest Commission on Colleges and Universities evaluations are lack of small group meeting rooms for study and/or discussion groups, and the lack of sufficient archival space. The library, despite providing students with many online resources, continues to rotate books from its storage room to compensate for the lack of adequate space to display all current holdings. The proposed 12,800 sq.ft. library facility is projected to cost \$3,840,000.
- C. Multi-purpose student center to provide a facility for student activities including college basketball games and practices, college and community recreational events, college commencement activities, and campus sponsored pow-wows. The College lacks any type of student center, within which to encourage and promote recreational or athletic activities. In order to provide

opportunities for our students, the College must rent a facility from a local school district for \$100 per day and pay all janitorial services. On a limited budget, it is not fiscally possible to provide our students with reasonable gym time under the current arrangement and so activities are severely limited. Intramural activity involvement for basketball and volleyball requires travel of up to 120 miles roundtrip if student teams wish to participate in an organized league. The proposed 20,000 sq. ft. facility is projected to cost \$6,000,000.

Thank you for any consideration you give this proposal and should you have additional questions, please feel free to contact my office at (406) 477-6215, Extension 117.

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